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**From:** Hodgkiss, Miranda  
**Sent:** Thur 8/20/2015 8:33:56 PM  
**Subject:** RE: sedimentation TMDLs

Hi Heidi,

My initial reaction to this is that we would highly discourage a TMDL that does not have a loading component, and would likely not be able to approve it. On your question about whether it could be approved as an alternative or protective TMDL, I will have to think on that and get back to you.

I apologize – I've been helping out with the Gold King Mine response last week and this week and haven't had time for much else. Also, I'm going out of town tomorrow and will be back on Thursday September 3<sup>rd</sup>. I will work on this when I get back and try to provide you with a clearer answer then.

Thanks!

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Hello Miranda.

We are working on a process for developing sedimentation TMDLs that are based on sedimentation listings using our newer sedimentation assessment protocol.

[https://www.env.nm.gov/swqbp/protocols/documents/2016\\_FINAL\\_AP\\_062215.pdf](https://www.env.nm.gov/swqbp/protocols/documents/2016_FINAL_AP_062215.pdf)

Do you have any suggestions?

If the TMDL we submitted did not have a loading component, could it be approved as a TMDL alternative (4b?) or protective TMDL?

Would EPA approve the plan (TMDL or otherwise) without a loading component? If not, what steps would EPA take?

Thanks,

Heidi

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